mission, or be answerable for by law, then the said obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect." The bond, when approved, shall be recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick County; and the person so appointed, before entering upon the duties of his office shall take an oath before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County, in form similar to that taken by collectors of taxes, except as to the title of the office. The Commission may pay the premiums on all bonds. All checks issued by the Commission shall be signed by the Secretary-Treasurer and countersigned by one member of the Commission.

(c) The Commission shall annually have its accounts audited by a certified public accountant to be selected by the Commission and paid by it; and shall publish a full, true and itemized account, under oath, of its receipts and disbursements in a newspaper published in the county.

10A-2.

Frederick County is declared to be a sanitary district for the purpose of the exercise of the powers vested by this subheading in the Frederick County Metropolitan Commission; provided

- (a) That the Commission shall exercise no authority over the operation or construction of the sewerage, water and drainage facilities of any incorporated municipality, including the extension of such facilities beyond the corporate limits of any municipality, as such extensions may exist on July 1, 1968; and
- (b) That the extension of such facilities beyond the corporate limits of any municipality after July 1, 1968, shall be subject to the approval and authority of the Commission, except that such approval shall not be required in the event of annexation pursuant to Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and
- (c) That in exercising the powers granted by this subheading, the Frederick County Metropolitan Commission shall not be subject to the provisions of any planning regulations or zoning ordinances enacted under the provisions of Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

10A-3.

(a) Whenever it is deemed necessary by the Commission to take or acquire any land, structure, or buildings, or any stream bed, waterway, water rights, or watershed, either in fee or as an easement, within or without Frederick County, for the construction, extension or maintenance of any water main, sewer, or appurtenance thereof. or any sewage treatment plant, reservoir, water treatment plant, storage tank, or pumping station or for the execution by the Commission of any other power or function vested in it by this subheading, the Commission, if it be unable to acquire the property or right by purchase, may condemn the property or right by proceedings in the Circuit Court for the county in which the property or right is located, as provided for condemnation of land by public service corporations in the Public General Laws of Maryland, now or hereafter in effect; and the Commission may likewise condemn the interest of any tenant, lessee, or other person having any right or interest in the property or right. At any time after ten days after the return